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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : ARONHIME et al.

Appl. No : Not Yet Assigned
(National Stage of PCT/NL96/00323)

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For : INTERMEDIATE TRANSFER BLANKET AND METHOD
OF PRODUCING THE SAME**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND COVER LETTER
SUBMITTING AMENDED PAGES OF APPLICATION**Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report - Form PCT/IPEA/409 (hereinafter "Report") which was drawn on the originally filed description and drawings, and claims 1-65 as filed on November 11, 1997, and includes as an Annex amended sheets 30-37 including claims 1-65.

Based upon the submission of amended sheets of claims, Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of the application containing amended pages 30-37 of claims, including claims 1-65, in place of the originally filed international claims.

Additionally, prior to the examination of the above-identified application including replacement claims 1-65, amendment of the claims to remove multiple dependent claims is respectfully requested.